

STUDY ABROAD AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT NEXT STEPS

SPRING 2019- CAREERLAB RESOURCES FOR
STUDENTS RETURNING FROM STUDY ABROAD

CareerLAB Overview

BrownConnect

- Search for internship opportunities
- Reach out to alumni and network
 - Search alumni by location, employer, concentration and interests
- LINK, Signature Programs, networking/alumni events off campus

Handshake

- Replaces Job and Internship Board
- Create your profile and indicate your interests to receive notifications for events, jobs, email reminders.

Career Counseling

- Make an appointment through the Handshake
 - Create a plan to explore new interests
 - Continue down your intended path or start down a new path
 - Available now and when you graduate

Employer Relations

- Manages all on-campus recruiting and employer information sessions

CareerLAB/BrownConnect events

Workshops – how to use resources, job/internship search, navigating specific industries, maximizing your internship, leveraging the job offer

Employer Events – Information sessions, coffee chats, on-campus interviews

Alumni events on campus – BrownConnect in residence, Facebook live/Zoom Q and A, alumni in recruiting capacity, CareerCons

Alumni events off campus - BrownConnect Conversations (summer and winter), BrownConnect networking events

Other events: Career Fairs, Peer-to-Peer dinner

BrownConnect Alumni Contact Tool

54396 Search Results

- All Listings
- Internships (1999)
- Alumni (52370)
- Funding Opportunities (27)

Search by:
-Name
-Class year
-Location
-Employer
-Student activities
-Concentration
-Networking interests
and more...

To Theodore Y. Chua '88

From Gregory Seiler (gregory_seiler@brown.edu)

Subject * BrownConnect Inquiry From Student

Message *

Dear Theodore Y. Chua '88,

I recently found your profile in BrownConnect. I am a {INSERT CLASS LEVEL SUCH AS JUNIOR} at Brown, with an interest in {INSERT INTEREST AREA}. I am interested in learning more about your current work and career path. Would it be possible to schedule an informational interview with you to ask a few questions and learn more about your work?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Gregory Seiler

PREVIEW Cancel

LINK/SEW Internship Award Funding

- LINK=Linking Internships and Knowledge
 - Stipends to students that have obtained an unpaid or low-paying summer internship
 - Low paying is defined as an internship paying you a value of \$1,000 or less (housing and meal stipends count towards a value)
 - \$3500 for domestic internships
 - \$5000 for international internships in first round
- SEW=Summer Earnings Waiver
 - Students selected for a LINK Award and have a summer earnings requirement on their financial aid package will also get a SEW applied to their financial aid for the 2019-2020 academic year
 - SEWs are expected to be \$3200
 - Students personally never receive the SEW funds—they go directly to their Financial Aid package
 - Student can only receive one SEW for their entire time at Brown—this includes if you received a SEW with an UTRA.

Timeline and Responsibilities, LINK

- **Deadlines:**
 - Friday, March 8th at 12 noon on UFUNDS
 - Wednesday, April 10th at 12 noon on UFUNDS
- **Notification:**
 - First Round: Expected to notify Early April
 - Second Round: Expected to notify Early May
- **Questions:**
 - email BrownConnect@brown.edu or Sarah_Brown1@brown.edu

BrownConnect Signature Internship Programs

- Signature Internship Programs Overview
 - Group of students interning in specific cities around a general industry/theme
 - Summer/Winter opportunities
 - Donor funded awards, various award amount based on program
 - Summer Earnings Waivers
 - Employers “hold” positions, interview and select students
 - Alumni role
 - Events for students
 - Pre-internship: Orientation
 - In-City: Welcome gathering, alumni-student networking events, BrownConnect Conversations, Alumni club events
 - Concludes with employer and student evaluations, reflection assignment, student experience sharing

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Academic Year	Internship Participants
2014-2015	65
2015-2016	99
2016-2017	123
2017-2018	153

2018-2019 Signature Programs

Program	Location	Timing	Partner	Status
CCG Winternships	NYC, BOS, DC, SF	January: 2 weeks	CCG	
CCG in NYC	New York City	Summer	CCG	
Media in LA	Los Angeles	Summer		
Hong Kong Business	Hong Kong	Summer	BEO Concentration	
iProv Fellowships	Providence	Summer	Swearer Center	
Israel Entrepreneurship	Tel Aviv	Summer	Nelson Center for Entrepreneurship	
Sweden Entrepreneurship	Stockholm	Summer	Nelson Center for Entrepreneurship	
Berlin Entrepreneurship*	Berlin	Summer	Nelson Center for Entrepreneurship	*2019 Pilot program
Swearer Fellowships	Tulsa	Summer	Swearer Center	
Swearer Fellowships	DC	Summer	Swearer Center	
Echoing Green Social Entrepreneurship*	NY, SF, Indianapolis, Mumbai, Lesotho	Summer	Echoing Green, CCG & Nelson Center	*2019 Pilot program

Career Treks

- **2018: Barcelona Synapse**
 - Partnership with Jonathan M. Nelson Center over Spring Break. Six students visited 8 startups/accelerators over two days culminating with an alumni networking dinner.
- **2019: Barcelona Synapse & London Synapse**
 - Same program model with addition of one extra day.
Spring Break 2019

Peer Advising vs. Career Counseling

Peer Advising – Sunday, Monday, Thursday, Friday:1:30-3:30, Tuesday, Wednesday, 7:00-9:00pm

no appointment needed

- Resumes, Cover Letters, (Starting for the first time or feedback), Mock interviews
- Internships>>BrownConnect, Brown Student Job Board, LINK Funding
- All those other CareerLAB Web sites and Resources
- Staffed by our *very* friendly very knowledgeable Peer Career Advisors

Career Counseling – ***Appointment only, schedule through Handshake***

- Feeling of confusion or uncertainty of what direction to take
- Career assessment or self-assessment: Skills, Values, Interest; Personality; Matching personalities with work
- Connections between concentrations and careers
- Individualized career plans
- Full blown mock interviews and Help with deciding offers and offer negotiation

Narrow or expand your Job search

- **Choose 3 Industries**
- 1 is too few, 5 is too many
- Career Counselors ready to help you with career decision making.
- **Focus on 1-2 Cities**
- Common myth: Looking anywhere in the country increases your chances.
- Goal is to systematically and aggressively engage a smaller sphere of opportunities.
- You will still apply for individual opportunities outside of your chosen cities on a case by case basis.

Professional Experiences Abroad

- **Determine where you can work and what you need to be eligible**
- **Visas, work permits, internship agreements**
 - Allow for entrance, work, study
 - **Research early and apply early**
 - Consulate website
 - Human resources or your supervisor
 - **Requirement and type of visa depends on:** your nationality, your professional sector, your compensation, or the length of your internship/job
 - Every country has different visa regulations and requirements, application processes, and sometimes varying requirements depending on the consulate
 - **You may need the following:** application fee, birth certificate, proof of funds(bank statement), letter from your university, letter from your employer, criminal background check, biometrics data, passport size photos, visa sponsor, internship agreement

International Internships and Jobs: Resources

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- Online resource provided by Brown for all current students
- Career resources and trends with country profiles
- Business Associations and Networking Groups
- Financial considerations
- Resume/CV templates
- Business cultures and advice
- Internship and job search database Access through CareerLAB site
- Large lists of companies by industry/location

Study Abroad and Career Development

Next steps:

- 1) **Update Resume: Where to put your experience? Relevant Courses? Travel? Interests? Language skills? Volunteer or internship experience? Visit Walk-in hours for review.**
- 2) **Consider your network from abroad: professors, internships, volunteer experiences, friends, alumni contacts**
- 3) **Career Counselors**
- 4) **Attend events**
- 5) **Remember your stories: adaptability, cross-cultural communication skills, resourcefulness, language skills, resilience, independence**

How can you tell your story?

Look back on your experience with stories of specific examples that highlight the skills you developed. Create a stockpile of these stories and be prepared to use them in interviews or networking situations

Flexibility & Adaptability: Did you immerse yourself and assimilate into the culture and workplace? While interning or taking classes in a new country and culture, were you able to be flexible and adjust to the unfamiliar norms and customs? What are some examples of how you adapted to life in the host country despite the differences that may exist between the host country and your home country? What did you learn from that experience?

Cross-cultural communication skills: Did you correspond with and work alongside a diverse group of people on a daily basis? Did you learn about the professional culture within your host country? Do you have examples of how you overcame cultural differences in order to complete projects or reach specific goals?

How can you tell your story? (con't)

Resourcefulness: Were there times when you did not understand how to do something or was there a process that varied from what you were used to in your home country? Did you use the resources at hand to make the best of these unfamiliar situations or new processes? Did you ask questions? Follow through on assignments that were brand new to you? How did you find answers to your questions or learn what to do in these situations?

Language Skills: During your internship, did you communicate in a language other than your native one? What was that like at first? How are your language skills now compared to how they were at the start of your internship? Did you learn vocabulary/communication skills specific to your industry? Not only should your language skills have improved (or industry-specific vocabulary in the local language), but this also demonstrates a willingness and drive to learn.

How can you tell your story? (con't)

Patience & Resilience: Living in a new country and culture can be challenging. How was your ability to deal with setbacks or unpredictable situations? How did you manage stress in this unfamiliar environment? What is an example of a time you were met with conflict and how did you resolve it? Did this help improve your problem-solving skills?

Independence and Self-Confidence: As you navigated living in your host country you had to rely on yourself to find answers to your questions and solve problems. Did you take risks? Welcome challenges? Do you feel that the experience helped you to become more confident in your ability to thrive in an international environment? Have you learned more about your field so that you could speak professionally and confidently in a future job interview in your home country?

Questions?

Thank You!

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